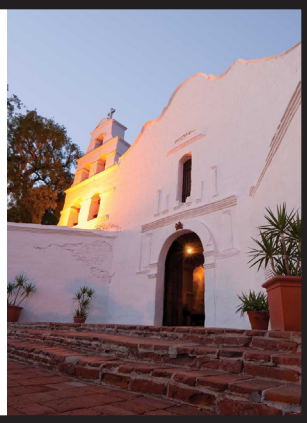


# Old Mission Rotary

Meets Every Tuesday at noon at the  
Best Western Seven Seas Hotel  
Hotel Circle South  
[oldmissionrotary.org](http://oldmissionrotary.org)

January 5 and 12, 2016



## Meeting at the Mission Valley YMCA



*(L-R) Donna, Bernadette Castro and Bea Halk. greeted Rotarians at the door of the Community Room at the Mission Valley YMCA!*

The Best Western Seven Seas will be remodeling for at least two months. As a result, Old Mission Rotary will meet off site at the Mission Valley YMCA at 5505 Friars Road. Our meetings will start at noon in the Community Room and lunch will be catered in for us. Parking is free and members can enter the room on the east side of the complex without entering through the main entrance of the YMCA.

Our first meeting on January 5th was a great success! Members came in from drenching rain to a warm room and a cold cut buffet. For our second week we enjoyed delicious ribs catered in from Bulls Smoking BBQ!

Special thanks to Donna who we have hired to set up our off site meetings

## Art Pratt Foundation Donation to Old Mission Rotary



*Art Pratt Foundation President Bob James (R) presents Stan Vogensang with a \$6100 check to be used to support Old Mission Foundation charitable programs.*

## Framer's Art is Volunteering!



*Tom Sandler was recognized in the Union Tribune Newspaper for his volunteer work in the community. They made special note of his efforts at Rady Children's Hospital.*

**Save the Date!**  
**Got Talent San Diego Gala**  
**Saturday, May 14th at**  
**Francis Parker School**

## Welcome to Old Mission Rotary!

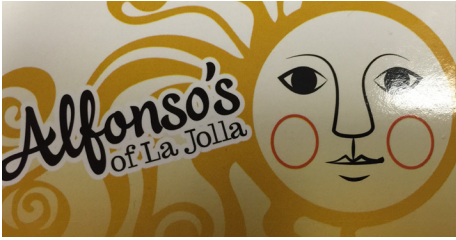


*On January 5th, we were delighted to induct Diane Love into Old Mission Rotary. Her husband and fellow Old Mission Rotarian Marvin presented the Rotary pin.*



*On January 12th, Julian Villegas was inducted into Old Mission Rotary. Julian is the new Executive Director of the Copley-Price YMCA. He recently moved to San Diego from the Boston area where he was the Executive Director of the Lawrence Massachusetts YMCA that served a community that was primarily Puerto Rican and Santo Dominican. Julian is excited to be working in City Heights with its diverse community.*

## Alfonso's Back in Business



*Alfonso Fierro has moved his landmark restaurant from Prospect Street in La Jolla to Highway 101 in Solana Beach. Alfonso's of La Jolla was in La Jolla for 40 years!*

## Come Fly Away... Airport Tour



*The club arranged for Lee Kaminetz to win \$750 in our opportunity drawing as thanks for arranging our February 2nd airport tour!*

This flight is almost SOLD OUT! On the 2nd of February, Old Mission Rotary will meet at the Shipley Media Center (Terminal Two) at the International Airport. There will be a tour from 10-12 followed by our meeting at noon with food and a presentation on the airport. Many thanks to Lee Kaminetz for arranging this special off-site meeting. This event is selling out fast and we are limited by the number of seats on our airport tour bus. There will not be a regular club meeting on February 2nd.

## What? Me Worry?



*Brian Dempsey reported on the plunging January stock market- the worst January ever! Lower economic growth in China has dragged the international markets down. Plunging oil prices have clobbered energy stocks but are helping consumers at the gas pumps. As always, lower stock prices give investors opportunity to buy. The new year promises to be exciting and unpredictable!*

## District 5340 Dinner at Stone Brewery

Come have a great time of fellowship with other Rotarians at the Stone Brewery location at Liberty Station on Tuesday, February 9th. District 5340 is sponsoring a Beer Tasting Event and Dinner.

The location is Stone Brewing World Bistro & Gardens - Liberty Station; 2816 Historic Decatur Road, San Diego. The event begins at 6:00 PM with beer tasting followed by dinner at 7:00. Music by guitarist John Robinson.

The dinner choices are as follows:

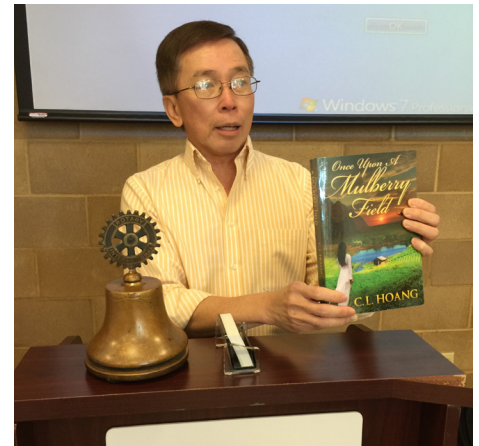
- Braised short ribs, creamy polenta, glazed carrots, Stone Poster jus, and bacon gremolata or
  - (Vegetarian) Toasted faro risotto, forest mushrooms, English peas, grana padano, and preserved lemon
- Make reservations online at the District Website [rotary5340.org](http://rotary5340.org)  
The cost is 55.00 per person for the dinner and 2 beer tastings.

## Club Programs



*Scott Anderson briefed the club on the new Rental car Center that will serve our airport.*

Our speaker, Scott Anderson, explained how the San Diego International Airport operators are opening a newly completed, \$316 million consolidated rental car center, which will initially house the operations of 14 rental car brands in one facility.



*C. L. Hoang spoke to the club about his novel "Once Upon a Mulberry Field."*

Our speaker on January 12th, C.L. Hoang, grew up in South Vietnam during the war but left in 1975 just before the collapse of the country on a scholarship to UC Berkeley. Unfortunately, he lost contact with his family for many years with the fall of South Vietnam. He is now an Electrical Engineer and lives and works in San Diego. His novel takes place during the Vietnam war and integrates characters from all sides: American and Vietnamese.